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# Crop Progress & Condition Report



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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 29, 2010**. Last week weather conditions were favorable for harvesting. The majority of corn has already been harvested with reports of varied yields. Cotton farmers have begun defoliating their crop to prepare for harvest. Soil moisture was rated 7 percent very short, 29 percent short, 63 adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending August 29, 2010				
Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dent	100	100	100	99
Corn, mature	97	93	94	91
Corn, harvested	73	48	40	49
Corn Silage, harvested	98	95	94	96
Cotton, open bolls	71	50	20	41
Cotton, harvested	2	0	0	0
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	84	82	86	85
Peanuts, harvested	2	1	0	1
Rice, headed	100	100	98	98
Rice, mature	86	80	38	49
Rice, harvested	40	15	3	6
Sorghum, coloring	99	98	97	98
Sorghum, mature	97	82	68	79
Sorghum, harvested	30	15	3	40
Soybeans, setting pods	99	98	100	100
Soybeans, turning color	70	57	45	66
Soybeans, dropping leaves	49	34	21	46
Soybeans, harvested	20	13	3	23
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	12	5	2	4

Crop condition for week ending August 29, 2010					
Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	6	13	27	43	11
Cotton	4	10	28	46	12
Hay	2	12	27	45	14
Livestock	1	6	30	53	10
Pasture	2	14	36	39	9
Peanuts	0	0	17	23	60
Rice	0	4	18	48	30
Sorghum	4	6	26	61	3
Soybeans	6	14	30	37	13
Sweet Potatoes	0	1	9	56	34

## Comments

“Weekend rains will delay harvest for a couple of days. Cotton harvest started on a small amount of acres last week but more growers will start this week. Corn harvest is moving along nicely with some growers finished already.”

— Don Respass, Coahoma

“Corn harvest is almost complete. Soybean and rice harvest is moving rapidly forward. Cotton defoliation and harvesting is underway. Fall tillage work behind corn is progressing well. Some light rains fell over the area during the weekend.”

— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

“Ideal harvesting weather has allowed producers to get caught up and many are waiting for their remaining crops to mature or are putting out harvest aids to speed up this process. Some cotton was defoliated earlier this week in Sunflower County.”

— Strider McCroy, Sunflower

“Although more rain would help later maturing soybean varieties and some of our cotton, most fields have reached the point that rain will make little difference in yields. Our main concern now is preparing for and completing the harvest.”

— Ernest Flint, Attala

“We received some much needed rain Sunday. Some areas of the county reported receiving 2" of rain.”

— Juli Hughes, Choctaw

“Afternoon showers have kept the grass growing. Armyworms seem to have slowed down temporarily.”

— Houston Therrell, Rankin

“Yields are varying widely. Harvest is going very smoothly with very few problems except for some blown over rice. Rains over the weekend will slow activity, but forecast looks clear for the rest of the week. Some farmers already have over half of their rice harvested.”

— Charlie Bush, Bolivar

“Harvesting will continue in a couple of days after showers over the weekend. Corn, rice and soybean harvest is going well. Cotton growers are just starting to harvest.”

— Don Respass, Quitman

“The corn harvest is underway, and the hay harvest is continuing.”

— Patrick Poindexter, Alcorn

“Harvest is moving along at a very rapid pace.”

— Lester Stephens, Washington

“Corn yield was average this year due to low soil moisture during pollination. Soybeans are looking promising and cotton bolls are starting to open. Sweetpotato harvest is progressing with average yields and few insect problems.”

— Bill Burdine, Chickasaw

“The window of dry weather allowed a large amount of hay to be baled last week. Cattle producers are marketing spring born calves.”

— Shelby Bearden, Copiah

“Rains continue to be spotty across the county with some areas receiving more rainfall than others.”

— Ann H. Davis, Wilkinson

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending August 29, 2010

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
<b>Upper Delta</b>									
Clarksdale	95	64	80	79	1	0.00	-0.56	0	4.81
Cleveland	101	67	83	80	3	0.00	-0.58	0	0.40
Lambert 1W	100	62	82			0.00	-0.70	0	0.24
Tunica 2N	93	64	80	78	2	0.00	-0.55	0	0.67
Extreme/Average	101	62	81	79	2	0.00	-0.56	0	1.53
<b>North-Central</b>									
Batesville	98	61	79	78	1	0.22	-0.41	1	1.84
Hickory Flat	94	61	78	77	1	0.00	-0.84	0	0.80
Holly Springs	99	60	77	76	1	0.00	-0.77	0	2.13
Independence	94	58	77	78	-1	0.00	-0.70	0	2.45
Oxford	95	63	79	77	2	0.04	-0.75	1	2.22
Extreme/Average	99	58	78	78	0	0.05	-0.69	0	1.89
<b>Northeast</b>									
Booneville	94	64	78	77	1	0.04	-0.73	1	1.16
Corinth 7SW	93	62	77	79	-2	0.32	-0.42	1	3.31
Iuka	93	61	75	75	0	0.00	-0.87	0	3.10
Pontotoc Exp	95	66	79	79	0	0.18	-0.56	1	1.66
Tupelo 2	94	66	79			0.12		1	1.32
Verona	97	65	81	79	2	0.22	-0.70	1	2.17
Extreme/Average	97	61	78	78	0	0.15	-0.59	1	1.92
<b>Lower Delta</b>									
Belzoni	100	67	83	80	3	0.14	-0.42	2	1.40
Moorhead	102	67	83	80	3	0.18	-0.35	1	0.76
Rolling Fork	99	66	82	80	2	1.28	0.72	2	3.11
Stoneville	103	63	82	80	2	0.00	-0.45	0	0.34
Yazoo City	100	68	84	81	3	0.53	-0.17	1	2.79
Extreme/Average	103	63	83	80	3	0.43	-0.13	1	1.68
<b>Central</b>									
Canton 4N	101	66	82	80	2	0.13	-0.52	1	1.91
Forest 3S	95	63	78	79	-1	1.62	0.71	2	9.07
Kosciusko	94	67	80	80	0	0.20	-0.51	1	2.63
Winona 5E	97	64	80	76	4	0.08	-0.62	2	1.30
Extreme/Average	101	63	80	79	1	0.51	-0.22	2	3.73
<b>East-Central</b>									
Aberdeen	96	59	80	78	2	0.14	-0.52	1	0.81
Columbus	95	66	81	80	1	2.31	1.47	1	5.50
Macon	97	66	80	79	1	0.00	-0.84	0	3.19
State University	99	67	82	79	3	0.07	-0.66	1	1.06
Extreme/Average	99	59	81	79	2	0.63	-0.11	1	2.64
<b>Southwest</b>									
Brookhaven City	94	67	81	79	2	2.85	1.87	2	6.00
Crystal Springs	95	69	81	80	1	1.27	0.39	2	8.33
Natchez	95	66	80	80	0	0.06	-0.85	1	11.84
Oakley Exp Stn	92	63	79	79	0	1.47	0.63	2	5.90
Port Gibson 1 NE	96	66	80	79	1	0.07	-0.63	2	1.40
Vicksburg	96	65	81			0.83		1	3.00
Extreme/Average	96	63	80	80	0	1.09	0.18	2	7.27
<b>South-Central</b>									
Collins	95	60	79	79	0	2.15	1.24	3	6.25
Columbia	97	68	82	80	2	0.74	-0.24	2	7.23
Monticello	100	68	83	80	3	1.97	1.10	1	4.02
Raleigh 6N	95	64	78			0.55		1	6.08
Extreme/Average	100	60	80	80	0	1.35	0.37	2	5.90
<b>Southeast</b>									
Hattiesburg	95	68	81	81	0	0.62	-0.43	1	6.93
Laurel	96	65	79	80	-1	2.11	1.20	3	4.68
Newton Exp	97	64	80	79	1	0.06	-0.77	1	2.82
Waynesboro 2W	99	69	83	79	4	0.87	0.07	2	4.88
Extreme/Average	99	64	81	80	1	0.92	0.08	2	4.83
<b>State</b>	103	58	80	79	1	0.63	-0.14	1	3.77

DFN = Departure from Normal.